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LIVING HISTORY WEEK-END

WCGS members will operate the Ancestor Booth, located in the Parish House at Grace Episcopal Church, Plymouth, on Saturday, the 16th of April during the annual Living History Week-end and Battle of Plymouth Reenactment. Visitors and homefolks alike will find plenty to do during the week-end.

MEET YOUR DIRECTOR - VERNON LEE EVERETT, JR.

Vernon is a frequent visitor/researcher in the Washington County area - he's frequently found hidden behind some reference book at the Library - or in the vaults at the Courthouse. He's been a staunch supporter of WCGS and he and wife, Marion Elizabeth Gray (of Norfolk, VA), are charter members.

Vernon, who retired twice from "work" was born at Roper on 11 May 1930, the son of Vernon Lee Everett, Sr, and Jessie Elizabeth Curles. His grandparents: William Thomas Everett and Lillian Lee White and William Thomas Curles and Catherine Marie Sawyer (from Tyrrell County, NC). Vernon graduated from Roper High School in 1949 and was employed in the office products industry. He first retired in 1980, went back to work in 1986 and retired in 1988 after 33 years.

The Everetts have three children: Elizabeth Gray Everett Blumenstein, Sarah Lee Everett Martinette and Thomas Curles Everett and have three grandchildren.

His hobbies are gardening and genealogy. Mrs. Everett was featured speaker at a WCGS meeting some time back, sharing her knowledge of how to make photos of old photos. Vernon, another of those members on whom one can always depend for help with almost any project, has contributed much material to WCGS publications over the years.

PRESERVING FAMILY DOCUMENTS

Friends of the ECU Library (Greenville, Pitt Co, NC) will present program on Wednesday, 27 Apr 1994 (1 to 4:30 p.m.) in the Willis Building Auditorium, First and Reade Streets. Among topics to be discussed: arresting deterioration and providing appropriate storage for family photos, papers and records that document achievements, celebrations and daily lives of family members. Call 757 6673 or 757-6671 for reservations. Presenters include Jerry Cotten, Photographic Archivist, NC Collection, UNC-Chapel Hill; Stephen Green, Sound and Image Librarian, UNC- Chapel Hill; Harlan Greene, Executive Director, NC Preservation Consortium and Beverly Tetterton, Local History Librarian, New Hanover County Public Library.

All BLANTONS and KIN are urged to attend annual Worldwide Blanton convention held 23, 24 & 25 Sept at Days Inn, Cave City, KY. Genealogy workshop meetings all day Friday/Saturday; get-togethers both nights; dinner at Mammoth Cave National Park picnic area on Sunday. For more details, call: Col. Rudolph D. Blanton, 111 Magnolia St., Upton, KY 42784 (502-369-7763) or Col. Mary Louise Blanton Attal, 3510 E Croft Circle, Spartanburg, SC 29302 (803-582-8846).

Explore INTERNET - Free! Ad in regional newspapers says dial by modem, 1-800-365-4636, press return a few times. At PASSWORD, enter RN433 or call 1-800-695-4005(voice) for answers to your questions. "Use electronic mail to exchange messages with over 10 million people throughout the world." After free trial period, choose from 2 low-cost membership plans. Rates FROM \$1/hour.

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CONCORD PBCPS, INC

Will hold quarterly meeting at Miss Donnie Smith's Restaurant, Creswell, NC, 23 April, 1994 at 6:30 p.m. - Dutch supper. Discussion concerning upcoming "Homecoming" scheduled for

Saturday, 14 May at 11 a.m. (since this is Mother's Day week-end, subject to be rescheduled, notices will be sent first of May.) There's going to be a pigpicking with trimmings and anyone who's ever heard of an ancestor being a member or attending is invited to take part. Lots of repairs have been made to the meeting house and many old artifacts contributed. Again, this is the only known still-standing Primitive Baptist Church left in Washington County and we are fortunate to have it still in good shape. # # #

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We failed to say welcome earlier to newcomer, Carl Modlin, spouse of member Betsy Modlin. (R 2 Bx 332, Plymouth NC 27962-9802) Welcome, too, to: Esther Blair Radcliffe, 6291 Rockrose Drive, Newark, CA 94560-4712; and to Robbie Dixon Burbage, R 1 Bx 298, Bath NC 27808, and to Doris K. Wilson, 501 Pungo Village #, Belhaven NC 27810.

ADDRESSES OF OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

In response to some requests, here are individual addresses for officers and directors: President: Russell Tyson, 342 E 13th St, Washington NC 27889 (919 946 9995); Vice President: Louise Spruill, 112 E Main, Plymouth NC 27962 (919 793 9328); Recording Secretary: Peggy B Adams, 111 Roanoke Ave, Plymouth NC 27962 (919 793 4534); Corresponding Secretary: Barbara M Revels, 213 Ray St, Williamston NC 27892 (919 792 5824) and Treasurer: Lawrence Swain, 513 E Main, Plymouth NC 27962 (919 793 4860).

Washington County Library, Third St, Plymouth NC 27962 (919 793 2113) (We are losing our librarian, Christina Hsu, who's going to be a spring bride in Charlotte(?) - call for either Sharon Molt or Gail Hardison for help at the library.) Washington County Register of Deeds: Greta Barber (919 793 2325).

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The Washington County Board of County Commissioners have created the Bicentennial Commission and, according to Lee Smith, County Manager, members will be notified when an organizational meeting will be held. If you have ideas or suggestions, send them to WCGS to be passed on to the commission.

Meeting date changed to third Sunday in each month! Most holidays seem to occur nearer the last Sunday in the month, and this is best for staff members of the library who open the facility for WCGS meetings. An amendment to the Bylaws will be read to reflect this change at the April meeting.

**SPRING JOURNAL: CIVIL WAR FRAGMENTS - PART TWO - &etc.,
WILL BE READY FOR DELIVERY DURING LIVING HISTORY WEEK-END
PICK YOURS UP AT ANCESTOR BOOTH - OTHERS MAILED W/MAY
NEWSLETTER**

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